# **Lab Exercise 6– Terraform Multiple tfvars Files**

# **Objective:**

Learn how to use multiple thvars files in Terraform for different environments.

### **Prerequisites:**

- Terraform installed on your machine.
- Basic knowledge of Terraform configuration and variables.

### **Steps:**

- 1. Create Terraform Configuration Files:
- Create a file named main.tf:

# main.tf

```
EXP-6 > M main.tf > ...
       terraform {
         required_providers {
           aws = {
             source = "hashicorp/aws"
             version = "5.31.0"
  6
  8
       provider "aws" {
 10
         region = "ap-south-1"
         access_key = "AKIATG303S6ELS3N2RNS"
 11
         secret_key = "apFan0H9hibFaP430xWGSvZj+W4Sds05m048rJ70"
 12
 13
       resource "aws_instance" "My_Instance" {
 14
                       = var.ami
 15
 16
         instance_type = var.instance_type
         tags = {
 17
 18
          Name = "Kanishka"
 19
 20
```

• Create a file named variables.tf:

#### # variables.tf

```
EXP-6 > variable.tf > variable "instance_type" > default

1 variable "ami" {
2 description = "AMI ID"
3 default = "ami-0449c34f967dbf18a"
4 }
5 variable "instance_type" {
6 description = "EC2 Instance Type"
7 default = "t2.micro"
8 }
9
```

## 2. Create Multiple tfvars Files:

• Create a file named dev.tfvars:

### # dev.tfvars

```
EXP-6 > dev.tfvars > instance_type

1 region="ap-south-1"

2 ami="ami-0449c34f967dbf18a"

3 instance_type="t2.micro"
```

• Create a file named prod.tfvars:

### # prod.tfvars

• In these files, provide values for the variables based on the environments.

## 3. Initialize and Apply for Dev Environment:

• Run the following Terraform commands to initialize and apply the configuration for the dev environment:

```
→ EXP-6 terraform apply -var-file=dev.tfvars
Terraform used the selected providers to generate the following execution plan. Resource actions are indicated with the following symbols:
Terraform will perform the following actions:
  # aws_instance.example will be created
  + resource "aws_instance" "example" {
                                                  = "ami-0449c34f967dbf18a"
      + arn
                                                 = (known after apply)
      + associate_public_ip_address
+ availability_zone
                                                 = (known after apply)
= (known after apply)
      + cpu_core_count
                                                 = (known after apply)
      + cpu_threads_per_core
                                                 = (known after apply)
      + disable_api_stop
                                                 = (known after apply)
                                                 = (known after apply)
= (known after apply)
      + disable_api_termination
      + ebs_optimized
      + get_password_data
                                                 = false
      + host_id
+ host_resource_group_arn
                                                  = (known after apply)
                                                 = (known after apply)
      + iam_instance_profile
                                                 = (known after apply)
                                                 = (known after apply)
      + instance_initiated_shutdown_behavior = (known after apply)
      + instance_lifecycle
+ instance_state
                                                 = (known after apply)
                                                 = (known after apply)
                                                 = "t2.micro"
      + instance_type
         ipv6_address_count
                                                 = (known after apply)
```

```
Plan: 1 to add, 0 to change, 0 to destroy.

Warning: Value for undeclared variable

The root module does not declare a variable named "region" but a value was found in file "dev.tfvars". If you meant to use this value, add a "variable" block to the configuration.

To silence these warnings, use TF_VAR_... environment variables to provide certain "global" settings to all configurations in your organization. To reduce the verbosity of these warnings, use the -compact-warnings option.

Do you want to perform these actions?

Terraform will perform the actions described above.
Only 'yes' will be accepted to approve.

Enter a value: yes

aws_instance.example: Creating...
aws_instance.example: Still creating... [10s elapsed]
aws_instance.example: Still creating... [20s elapsed]
aws_instance.example: Creation complete after 22s [id=i-03dblab9368c554c6]

Apply complete! Resources: 1 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.
```

# 4. Initialize and Apply for Prod Environment:

• Run the following Terraform commands to initialize and apply the configuration for the prod environment:

```
EXP-6 terraform apply -var-file=prod.tfvars
Terraform used the selected providers to generate the following execution plan. Resource actions are
indicated with the following symbols:
  + create
Terraform will perform the following actions:
  # aws_instance.example will be created
   resource "aws_instance" "example" {
                                               = "ami-01e82af4e524a0aa3"
      + ami
                                               = (known after apply)
      + arn
                                               = (known after apply)
= (known after apply)
      + associate_public_ip_address
      + availability_zone
      + cpu_core_count
                                               = (known after apply)
      + cpu_threads_per_core
                                               = (known after apply)
      + disable_api_stop
                                               = (known after apply)
                                               = (known after apply)
= (known after apply)
      + disable_api_termination
      + ebs_optimized
      + get_password_data
                                               = false
      + host_id
+ host_resource_group_arn
                                               = (known after apply)
                                               = (known after apply)
      + iam_instance_profile
                                               = (known after apply)
                                               = (known after apply)
      + id
      + instance_initiated_shutdown_behavior = (known after apply)
                                               = (known after apply)
        instance_lifecycle
        instance_state
                                               = (known after apply)
      + instance_type
                                               = "t2.micro"
```

```
Plan: 1 to add, 0 to change, 0 to destroy.

Warning: Value for undeclared variable

The root module does not declare a variable named "region" but a value was found in file "prod.tfvars". If you meant to use this value, add a "variable" block to the configuration.

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Do you want to perform these actions?

Terraform will perform the actions described above.
Only 'yes' will be accepted to approve.

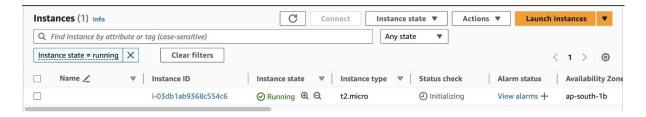
Enter a value: yes

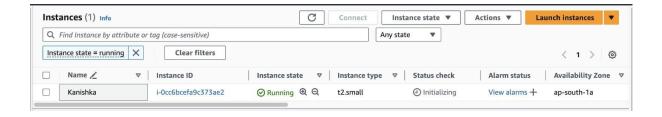
aws_instance.My_Instance: Creating...
aws_instance.My_Instance: Still creating... [10s elapsed]
aws_instance.My_Instance: Still creating... [20s elapsed]
aws_instance.My_Instance: Creation complete after 22s [id=i-0cc6bcefa9c373ae2]

Apply complete! Resources: 1 added, 0 changed, 0 destroyed.
```

# 5. Test and Verify:

- Observe how different the transfiles are used to set variable values for different environments during the apply process.
- Access the AWS Management Console or use the AWS CLI to verify the creation of resources in the specified regions and instance types.





### 6. Clean Up:

• After testing, you can clean up resources:

```
→ EXP-6 terraform destroy -var-file=dev.tfvars
aws_instance.My_Instance: Refreshing state... [id=i-0cc6bcefa9c373ae2]
Terraform used the selected providers to generate the following execution plan. Resource actions are
indicated with the following symbols:
   destroy
Terraform will perform the following actions:
  # aws_instance.My_Instance will be destroyed
- resource "aws_instance" "My_Instance" {
                                                     = "ami-0449c34f967dbf18a" -> null
       - ami
       - arn
                                                     = "arn:aws:ec2:ap-south-1:220886439816:instance/i-0cc6bc6
373ae2" -> null
       - associate_public_ip_address
                                                    = true -> null
                                                       "ap-south-1a" -> null

    availability_zone

                                                    = 1 -> null
= 1 -> null
       - cpu_core_count
       - cpu_threads_per_core
       - disable_api_stop
                                                     = false -> null
       disable_api_terminationebs_optimized
                                                    = false -> null
                                                    = false -> null
         get_password_data
                                                     = false -> null
         hibernation
                                                       false -> null
```

```
Do you really want to destroy all resources?

Terraform will destroy all your managed infrastructure, as shown above.
There is no undo. Only 'yes' will be accepted to confirm.

Enter a value: yes

aws_instance.My_Instance: Destroying... [id=i-0cc6bcefa9c373ae2]
aws_instance.My_Instance: Still destroying... [id=i-0cc6bcefa9c373ae2, 10s elapsed]
aws_instance.My_Instance: Still destroying... [id=i-0cc6bcefa9c373ae2, 20s elapsed]
aws_instance.My_Instance: Still destroying... [id=i-0cc6bcefa9c373ae2, 30s elapsed]
aws_instance.My_Instance: Destruction complete after 30s

Destroy complete! Resources: 1 destroyed.
```

EXP-6 terraform destroy -var-file=prod.tfvars

No changes. No objects need to be destroyed.

Either you have not created any objects yet or the existing objects were already deleted outside of Terraform.

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Destroy complete! Resources: 0 destroyed.

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